

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER 50 Irving Street NW Washington DC 20422

December 28, 2011

Dear Veteran,

I am pleased to share with you very good news pertaining to enhancements of the Washington DC VA Medical Center (DCVAMC) facility. On **January 3, 2012**, we will begin construction of a new parking garage which will add 27% more parking for Veterans and visitors.

The garage will be built on the current site of parking lot # 2 west, located in the front of the building, directly across from the main doors. Once finished, I feel certain you will be very pleased with the improved convenience and accessibility.

During the estimated 12 month construction period, continue to use **Valet Parking** services. If you prefer to park your own car, you may continue to park in lots #1 and #2 east. You may also park in lots # 3 and 4, located near the Emergency Department.

On the reverse side of this letter you will find a map of the VA Medical Center campus that identifies these new Veteran/Visitor parking areas. New signage will be posted shortly.

Use of public transportation is highly recommended. DCVAMC provides free shuttle service from the Brookland/Catholic University metro on the red line and from the Columbia Heights metro on the green line. Look for the International Limousine shuttle buses. For more information, visit our website at www.washingtondc.va.gov.

As always, we encourage you to arrive at least 30 minutes, but no more than an hour, prior to your appointment.

We realize you may be inconvenienced as we work toward expanding parking at the Medical Center. Thank you for your patience during this construction period. If you have any questions regarding Medical Center parking, please contact Police Service at 202-745-8189.

Sincerely,

Brian A. Hawkins, MHA Medical Center Director